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## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office action herein mailed July 15, 2003 (Paper No. 18), for which the time for two month early response is set to expire September 15, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. The considered claims, claims 2-5 and 15-27 are pending in the application. Claims 2-5 and 15-27 are rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.